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TAGS: PINT, TU

SUBJECT: DEMIREL-ERBAKAN AGREE IN PRINCIPLE

1. TURKISH RADIO NEWS AT 1000 GMT JULY 7 REPORTS THAT AFTER A TWO-HOUR MEETING WITH NATIONAL SALVATION PARTY (NSP) CHAIRMAN ERBAKAN THIS MORNING JUSTICE PARTY (JP) CHAIRMAN DEMIREL TOLD REPORTERS THAT ERBAKAN AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO JOIN A COALITION GOVERNMENT. DEMIREL SAID THAT IF HE AND  
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NAP CHAIRMAN TURKES ALSO REACHED AN AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE DURING THEIR MEETING LATER IN THE DAY, THE GENERAL OUTLINE OF A NEW GOVERNMENT WOULD BECOME EVIDENT AND TERMS COULD THEN BE DISCUSSED. ERBAKAN, ALSO TALKING TO THE PRESS, CONFIRMED THAT HE AND DEMIREL HAD REACHED AGREEMENT ON A COALITION GOVERNMENT OF THE JP, NSP AND NAP AND HAD DISCUSSED ITS POSSIBLE MAKE-UP. HE SAID THAT IF THE DEMIREL-TURKES MEETING

IS SUCCESSFUL, OFFICIALS OF THE THREE PARTIES WILL MEET TO  
DISCUSS THE DETAILS OF THE COALITION.

2. COMMENT: DESPITE THE OPTIMISTIC TONE OF DEMIREL AND  
ERBAKAN'S STATEMENTS, WE BELIEVE THAT THE AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE  
DOES NOT REPEAT NOT REPRESENT A BREAKTHROUGH IN THE GOVERNMENT  
FORMATION PROCESS. BOTH DEMIREL AND ERBAKAN HAD PREVIOUSLY  
PUBLICLY MENTIONED THEIR WILLINGNESS TO FORM SUCH A COALITION.  
THEIR AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE STILL LEAVES UNRESOLVED THE  
POTENTIALLY DIVISIVE QUESTIONS OF ASSIGNMENT OF MINISTERIAL  
PORTFOLIOS AND A COALITION PROTOCOL.  
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